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QUESTIONS OPERATION OF NON-PARTISAN LAW

Judge Van Searingen Declares it Unconstitutional

CONFUSION RESULTS

Candidates and Politicians Apprehensive--Seek Higher Courts Opinion

Holding that the non-partisan feature of the Clark election bill passed at the last session of the legislature and signed by Gov. Tener is unconstitutional because it conflicts with the constitution on the point of equality of elections, Judge J. Q. Van Searingen, of Fayette county, handed down a decision at Uniontown Tuesday that has confused politicians all over the state. It is probable that the higher court will be asked for an interpretive opinion of the non-partisan act supplying to superior court judgeship elections and elections in cities of the third and second class.

It is held in the adverse opinion that the law-making power could not escape the constitutional provision that "all elections shall be equal." It is contended that to provide for the election of purely municipal and judicial officials of one method and for all other officers by another was a transgression of the constitutional commandment.

MARRIED HERE; WILL LIVE IN STATE OF OHIO

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Nickeson on Meadow avenue was the scene of a very pretty wedding Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, when Mrs. Nickeson's sister, Miss Minnie Barnes, was united in marriage to Frederick W. Bates, of Chicago. Rev. J. E. Charles performed the ceremony. Functions of honor were performed by the bride's little nieces and nephews. Zeta Minnie Nickeson playing the wedding march, and the twins, Mabel Anna and Master Ira W. Nickeson acting as flower girl and ringbearer, respectively.

A wedding supper was given at the Nickeson home by Mrs. Nickeson in honor of the bride and groom after the ceremony was performed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates left today for Cincinnati, where they will make their future home, the groom having business interests there.

To Suggest Candidates

North Charleroi Republicans and Democrats to Hold Meetings this Week

Two suggestion meetings will be held this week at North Charleroi. The first will be tonight, when the Republicans will meet to name possible candidates for nomination for the borough offices. Tomorrow night will be held by the Democrats.

MONESSEN READY FOR RINGGOLDS

Committees Get Final Matters in Shape for Reunion

ARE COMING TOMORROW

Committees at Monessen are today making final preparations for the entertainment there tomorrow of the Ringgold Battalion and it is expected that practically every survivor of the famous regiment will attend the affair. The town will be decorated for the event. Definite word has been received from Col. A. J. Greenfield, the only living regimental officer that he will be present. He will come all the way from Chicago, to attend the reunion rather than miss one.

On the Monessen reception committee are three of Monessen's five Civil war veterans. They are Harrison Anderson, Isaac Knetzschield, and Harry Davis. The other two veterans living in Monessen are Gabriel Butler and I. H. Jackson. Veterans from nearby towns have been invited. A parade in the evening and a campfire will be features of the reunion.

AEROPLANE FLIGHTS TO FEATURE BOOSTER WEEK AT MONESSEN

Featuring its booster week to be celebrated the first week of September, Monessen will have aeroplane flights. These aeroplane flights, according to contract, will be given daily by aeroplanists by the name of Thomas from Bath, N. Y. It is likely they will make their start on the river near the Page plant. In addition to the aeroplane flights it is stated there will be other features of interest.

Laying Sidewalks
Sidewalks are being laid on Fallowfield avenue between Ninth and Tenth streets. On the west side of the street sidewalks have been laid nearly the entire length of the block, adding greatly to the appearance of the street.

CHAUTAUQUA WEEK TO BE WEEK OF CULTURE

Monongahela People Getting Ready for Big Event Beginning Next Tuesday--Charleroi People Interested

Chautauqua numbers of more than ordinary excellence will be offered at Monongahela during Chautauqua week that will be observed from August 26 to September 1, inclusive. The opening will be on Tuesday afternoon, August 26, when the Redpath Grand Opera company will give a musical recital. The Redpath-Brockway Lyceum Bureau is furnishing the attractions for the Chautauqua and will manage the various productions.

Only the very best to be had in music and lectures will be given. The Redpath Grand Opera company will appear on both Tuesday afternoon and evening of the opening date. The Tuesday evening number will be the production of the grand opera number, "The Lover's Quarrel," Puccini. On Tuesday afternoon, George L. McNutt, known as the "Dinner Pail Man" will lecture, and his theme will be "Culture and Democracy."

Wednesday's program will begin at 9 o'clock with the organization of a Boy Scout's band. A lecture will be given on "Economics and Human Welfare." The University Boys will give a concert on the afternoon of this day, and this will be followed by an interpretive recital. "The World and His Wife," by Isabel Garghill Beecher. The evening musical number will be given by the University Boys.

One of the chief features of the entire week will be a debate on Wednesday night by Hon. Emil Seidel, of Milwaukee, once mayor of that city, and Hon. J. Adam Bede, of Minnesota, former congressman. They will debate on the subject "Is Socialism Desirable for the United States?" Seidel who is one of the most noted Socialists in the country will defend Socialism.

Thursday morning's session will begin by a lecture for boy scouts on "Population and Poverty." The Florentine Trio will give a concert in the afternoon, and this will be followed by a lecture "The Awakening" by Hon. Frank Comerford. The Ben Great players, who are noted producers of

GOOD GOVERNMENT IS HIS PLATFORM

Capt. John K. Hein Asks for Republican Nomination for Burgess on Merits

Today the announcement of Capt. John K. Hein as a candidate for the nomination on the Republican ticket for Burgess is being made. Capt. Hein is seeking the nomination on a platform of good government and will push his candidacy before the voters with a clean-cut record to back him.

Capt. Hein, with a record in military service, came to Charleroi 17 years ago, and at once entered into the affairs of the town. He was a worker from that time forth until the present day in the interests of the good of the town.

Capt. Hein is and always has been a Republican. He was honored by the voters of Charleroi by being elected to council several years back. He was subsequently reelected and in all

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Shakespearian drama will appear Thursday evening in the presentation of "She Stoops to Conquer."

Friday morning's lecture for the boy scouts will be "Poverty, Causes and Remedies." The afternoon concert will be given by the Marx Trio, and the afternoon lecture will be given by Dean W. T. Sumner, D. D. on the subject "The Dawning Consciousness of Woman's Sex Loyalty." The Bergen-Marx company will give the evening concert.

Saturday will be a big day at the Chautauqua, for on this day will appear the justly famous Bohemian Kyril and his band. This band will give two concerts, one in the afternoon and one in the evening. The morning lecture for the boy scouts will be "Transportation Problems."

Sunday concert will be given by the Mozart Concert company. Hon. Joseph Folk, former governor of Missouri will lecture on "The Fight for a State" Vesper service will be held. In the evening a sacred concert will be given by the Mozart company and a lecture will be given by W. B. Ambsbury.

Monday, the last day of the Chautauqua will be featured by an afternoon concert by the Barnard orchestra, and a lecture by Hon. Frank J. Cannon, a man prominent in the affairs of the nation, on the subject, "The Modern Mormon Kingdom." In the evening "Joy night" will be celebrated with a novel program that will be given by Ralph Bingham, the noted humorist, assisted by the Barnard orchestra.

The Monongahela Chautauqua is not to be held as a benefit for anybody but merely to furnish entertainment out of the ordinary for Monongahela people and for people living in nearby towns. Charleroi people are taking an interest in the Chautauqua and it is probable that many will attend the various numbers from here. Tickets are to be placed on sale here tomorrow by a member of the Monongahela committee.

FRYE REUNION IS POSTPONED

Annual Meeting of Noted Washington County Family is Cancelled

Owing to a conflict in dates at Eldora park, the Frye family reunion will not be held this year, having been postponed until next year. Arrangements had been started to hold the reunion at the park on the last Saturday of August, which would be August 30, but this date had been booked by the Socialists and the miners from the Monongahela valley for a monster outing. To have held a reunion on that date would not have been advisable it was deemed by the officers of the Frye Reunion Association, and the entire arrangements were cancelled.

Charles O. Frye of Charleroi is the president of the reunion association and Mrs. John S. Van Voorhis, of Belle Vernon is the secretary.

TESTS AUTHORIZED FOR ACADEMY APPOINTMENTS

Maccabees at Eldora Today

Women From All Along Valley Attend Outing--Lady Commander Here

The Valley Association of Lady Maccabees are holding their annual picnic at Eldora today. A large crowd is present, people from all along the valley coming, even from as far south as Uniontown. There will be exhibition drills by guard teams of various hives, and races this afternoon for young and old. All kinds of amusements are being provided. Miss Nellie E. Lounsbury, state commander of Pennsylvania and Mrs. H. M. Ellsworth, past great commander are expected to be present all day.

TO HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC

Monongahela to Try Charleroi Plan for Outing Tomorrow

WILL CLOSE UP SHOP

Business houses and stores at Monongahela will be closed on Thursday afternoon and evening, and Monongahela business men and citizens will enjoy their annual outing at Eldora park. Capt. E. W. Hartland and his general committee has prepared for the affair. A band concert by one of the Monongahela bands in the evening from 5 to 7 o'clock will be one of the chief features of the day. The picnic will be one of the old fashioned kind where every body takes a basket and goes prepared for a general good time. In many respects the outing will be similar to that held some time ago by the Charleroi Business Men's association at Eldora park.

CENTERVILLE MAN MEETS DEATH IN RIVER WHIRLPOOL

News has been received of the tragic death, in a whirlpool in a mountain stream near Seattle, Wash., of Algren Michener, a former resident of Centerville. While on a fishing trip he became separated from his companions along the banks of a stream. Later his friends found his coat upon the bank and the body of Michener in a whirlpool. It is supposed that in the excitement of making a catch he ventured too far into the river and was swept from his feet.

Mr. Michener was a son of the late Capt. John E. Michener of Centerville. He was vice president of the Stone-Webster Electric Railway company of Seattle.

Congressman Temple Announces Two School Vacancies

ONE AT WEST POINT

District Entitled to One Student--Naval Academy Place is Open

Congressman H. W. Temple has been notified by the War and Navy departments that vacancies now exist which entitle the Twenty-fourth district of Pennsylvania to the appointment of one cadet at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point and one midshipman at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

To aid him in making these appointments Congressman Temple has requested the county superintendents of schools in Beaver, Lawrence and Washington counties to conduct a competitive examination of all candidates. This examination will be held in Washington, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, September 6th, and will be open to all young men, resident in the district, who have the legal qualifications.

Candidates for admission to West Point must not be under 17 or over 22 years of age. Candidates for Annapolis must not be under 16 or over 23 years of age. In neither case the candidate must be of good moral character, physically sound and well developed, and able to pass the entrance examination given by the authorities of the academy.

Fuller information about the examination of September 6th may be obtained by addressing H. W. Temple, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

SIXTEEN ARE CAUGHT IN A MONESSEN RAID

A woman who gave her name as Mary Gensota of Monessen, is being held under \$1,000 bail for court on the charge of operating a bawdy house near the borough limits of Monessen at First street. She was arrested in a raid conducted Sunday night by the state constabulary of Monessen. All told there were 16 persons arrested, four of them being women.

The house in which the arrests were made was one that District Attorney Richard G. Miller, referred to some time ago, when he made sensational disclosures of a gang of white slavers working throughout western Pennsylvania. All of the inmates were required to pay \$10 and costs before being set go.

Sergeant Charles Jacobs of the state constabulary conducted the raid, with him being Joseph Merrifield and James Savage, members of the state constabulary, and Lieutenant Higgins, G. W. Albright, James Atkins, C. W. Wheatley, and Nat Ranito, of the Monessen police force.

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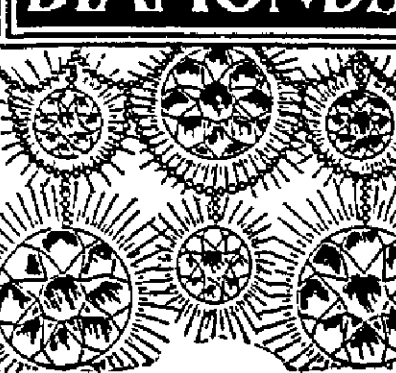
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tices to teachers, 10 cents per line,
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ditional insertion.

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COMMISSION RULE

IN PENNSYLVANIA

"Never before" remarks the Phil-
adelphia Press have the voters in the
third class cities of the state been con-
fronted with greater need to exer-
cise good judgment in the selection
of administrative officials than in the
impending change to commission gov-
ernment under the act passed at the
recent session of the legislature. Under
this new system, the officials to be
nominated at the primaries and elected
in November will be the whole city
government, for they will have leg-
islative as well as executive author-
ity. The broad purpose of the act is
to promote the advancement of the
cities to which it applies and to enable
the people to get the best possible re-
turn for the taxes they pay. Whether
such results shall be obtained or
not will depend a great deal upon the
kind of men who are selected for com-
missioners.

"The fact that a salary goes with
the office makes it a tempting place,
and there are innumerable candidates
in every city. Every one of these
should carefully study the law before
he seeks the responsibilities which it
imposes upon a commissioner, and it
would be well also for the voters to
understand that they are no longer
electing ward councilmen. Ex-District
Attorney Lichtenwamer, of Allentown,
who had announced himself
a candidate for one of the places in
that city, has withdrawn since he
read the law because, he says, he
"would have to give the duties of the
position so much and such careful at-
tention that he would have no time
to do anything else." It is undoubtedly
true that this would be required in
almost all the cities.

"According to Mr. Lichtenwamer's
statement there are two hundred and
fifty candidates for commissioner in
Allentown, and he does not know that
any of them have read the law or are
well informed about the duties of the
office. This may be something of an
exaggeration, of course, but where there
are so many candidates in a single
city it may be accepted as certain that
some of them are merely after a pay-
ing job without much regard for their
duty to the public. And the condi-
tions are not very different in other
cities, though candidates may not be
so numerous."

REVISING TELEPHONE RATES

It is not a road to hear complaint
from subscribers that the telephone
service is expensive says the Wall
Street Journal. This is a matter
which should be settled by the Pub-
lic Service commission, which has
ample statutory powers. It is a
matter where one outsider's opinion
is as good as another's.

In California the matter has re-
cently been investigated by the Rail-
road commission after long hearings
with the officials of the Pacific Tele-
phone & Telegraph company. Under
the present system the company limits
its initial period to one minute to
each call, while extra charge for
longer time and unusual distance is
made. The commission found that
the average length of time for calls,
and it examined 64,196, was 1.89 min-
utes. It also found that more than
60 per cent of the calls lasted beyond
a minute.

As a result an entirely new system
of charging has been recommended.
It is proposed that the initial period
shall be two minutes and that air-
mileage shall be the basis for com-
puting rates. This means that a rate
of five mills per mile is established
for the first ten miles, and that mul-
tiples of ten are used for greater dis-
tances. These rates furnish some re-
lief to customers, and it is not likely
that they will be seriously opposed
by the company.

No doubt rates should be revised
by the proper authorities from time
to time, and very probably cheaper
terms will be possible as the business
continues to develop. But the cause
for complaint has yet to be developed,
and no Legislature can enact, or com-
mission enforce, rates on a basis of
something for nothing.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

Somebody remarked the other night
that many an innocent act hid an
ulterior motive. Whereat Senator Wil-
liam P. Jackson, of Maryland, gener-
ously smiled relates an exchange. He
explained that it reminded him of an
incident that occurred in Baltimore.

Recently, according to the senator,
a sturdy citizen was sitting on the
front porch trying to talk to a friend
who had called to see him. Within
the parlor the piano was going at a
speed to rip up the rans.

"Say, Jim," said the caller on the
front porch, bending toward the other
in order to make himself heard,
"is that your daughter playing that
piano?"

"Yes," replied the sturdy citizen,
with a covert smile. "Some music,
ain't it?"

"It certainly is," admitted the caller.
"Does she always play so strenu-
ously as that?"

"Oh, no," replied the parent. "You
see she has got a young man in the
parlor, and she is pounding out that
music so as to drown the sound of
her mother washin' the dishes."

Speaking of the beautiful way in
which the average person says "ex-
cuse me" after walking on your feet,
Congressman David J. Lewis, of
Maryland, recalled the adventure of
Pat while crossing a pasture field.

Pat was in the country, the con-
gressman said, and wanting to take
a short cut to another road, started
through Cousin Hiram's farm. He had
almost reached the opposite fence
when he suddenly saw urgent need
of great haste. Close behind and
coming strong was Cousin Hiram's
bull.

Instantly Pat threw over his con-
troller as fast as it would go and was
soon making sixty miles an hour, but
the bull was a shade speedier. Slow-
ly but surely he gained on Pat, and
even while Pat was wondering how
he would ever manage to get over
the fence the bull solved the problem.

A farmer came along just as Pat
dropped on the outside, and saw the
bull pawing and tearing up the ground
within.

"Thunderation!" exclaimed the
farmer, pausing at the side of the
prostrate party. "Did that darned
bull chuck ye over the fence?"

"Shure, an' he did that," replied
Pat, rising to his feet and brushing off
the dust, "an' if it wasn't for the brow-
in 'an' scrapin' av the baste, an' his
humble apologies, faith, an' Old Nick
he did it on purpose."—Philadelphia
Telegraph.

GOOD GOVERNMENT IS HIS PLATFORM

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served nine years and nine months
as a member of the body. His record
was good, and the fact that he was to
be trusted in office was evidenced by
the number of times he was returned.
As one of his friends was heard to
state "Capt. Hein was never known to
be absent when there was work to do,
and was right there always to per-
form what he considered his duty." In
rounding out his term in council,
Capt. Hein was the selection for three
years and nine months as president
of council, and he filled the office with
the same credit that he won for him-
self as a "private" in the affairs of
the borough.

Capt. Hein is not a stranger to the
office of burgess having served in that
capacity on numerous occasions dur-
ing his incumbency in council in the
absence of the chief executive of the
town. He comes before the people
well versed in the affairs of the office,
and with a clean record.

D. CLYDE HAINES QUITS POSITION IN HIGH SCHOOL

D. Clyde Haines, a member of last
year's High school's faculty has re-
signed his high school position here
and accepted a position as teacher in
the Sutton, W. Va., High school. At
a meeting of the school board Tuesday
evening, the resignation was accepted,
but on one was elected to fill the
vacancy.

The contract was awarded Tues-
day night for painting the Second
street and Crest avenue schools to
E. W. Elliott of Charleroi.

STEEL CARS BEING RUN ON DIVISION BY PENNSYLVANIA

A number of all steel cars are be-
ing run in trains on the Monongahela
Division of the Pennsylvania rail-
road, displacing the old fashioned
wooden kind. The new cars are elec-
trically lighted and somewhat larger,
and look neater. However, they are
built for interurban service and do
not contain all the equipment that
would seem necessary for longer runs.
It is not improbably but that before
long all steel trains will be run over
the division, fully equipped and dif-
ferent from the cars now in serv-
ice.

THREE AUTOMOBILES HANDY AND YET THESE PICNICERS WALK HOME

Three automobiles, one a truck, were
more or less disabled, and a party of
picnicers had to walk about two miles
home to Charleroi as a result of a
series of accidents out Lincoln ave-
nue extension Tuesday evening. Rich-
ard Herneaux in his truck was haul-
ing the picnicers home, when some-
thing happened and his auto balked.
Harry Frye went out from Charleroi
in his machine to render first aid.
Loading up his machine he started
back. His machine and one of C.
Mathews came together, and they all
gave up the ghost temporarily. Then
it was that the picnicers walked.

ELKS TO HOLD REUNION NEXT WEEK AT MILTON

The seventh annual reunion of the
Pennsylvania State Association, E.P.
O. Elks will be held in Milton, on Tues-
day, Wednesday and Thursday of next
week, and Elks from all parts of the
state are preparing to attend. Gov.
John K. Tener, a former grand exalted
ruler of the order, Senator Boise
Penrose, and other noted Elks, are
expected to attend the reunion. A
parade will take place on Tuesday
and prizes will be awarded to lodges
for various things.

Fine Time at Camp

A party of Charleroi girls in camp
at Fitzgerald stop near Dunlevy are
enjoying a good time. Chaperons are
Miss Celia McDermott of Charleroi,
and Mrs. Morris, of North Charleroi.
Mrs. Fred Clerihue, Mrs. Lee M. Show-
ers and Mrs. H. A. Heupel were vis-
itors at the camp, and today Misses
Esther Berryman and Norma Boson
visited there.

To Attend Welsh Picnic

Prof. and Mrs. I. T. Daniel, son
Audrey, and daughter Mary Eliza-
beth, and Miss Amy Jones went to
Youngstown, Ohio, Tuesday to attend
today a Welsh picnic to be held near
there. Annually this picnic attracts
from 25,000 to 30,000 people, and is
attended by people from all parts of
the country.

To The Voters and Citizens of Charleroi:

In making my formal announcement for the nomi-
nation for Burgess on the Republican ticket at the Primar-
ies to be held on September 16 I wish to state that I enter
the race as a GOOD GOVERNMENT candidate. If nomi-
nated and elected the laws of the borough and affairs un-
der my jurisdiction will be given my very best attention
and every thing possible will be done to give the borough
good government. I will not be ruled or influenced by any
man or set of men in conducting the office as it should be
conducted.

For seventeen years I have been a resident of Char-
leroi and during that time I have served as a member of
the borough council for nine years and nine months, three
years and nine months of which I was president of the
body. I submit to you my record as a resident, as a mem-
ber of council, and my work for the good in all public af-
fairs with which I have been connected.

THE CONDUCTING OF ALL BOROUGH AFFAIRS IN
A GOOD, CLEAN AND MORAL MANNER
IS MY DESIRE.

I respectfully solicit your support

Capt. John K. Hein

FOR BURGESS



To the Voters of Charleroi:

At the primary election
on Tuesday, September 16,
1913, I will be a candidate
for burgess on the Demo-
cratic ticket. I have been
a taxpayer in Charleroi and
North Charleroi boroughs
for fifteen years, and a con-
sistent voter of the Demo-
cratic political faith. In
casting your vote at the com-
ing primary election, kindly
give me a little consid-
eration with the rest of the
candidates.

Respectfully,

S. L. Woodward

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

To the Voters of Charleroi:

At the primary election to take place on Tuesday,
September 16, I will be a candidate on the Washington
Party Ticket for the office of Tax Collector. As account-
ant I have had 10 years experience, and as auditor of
borough finances for two years, I have become familiar
with the work of tax collecting. I am a property holder
and tax payer and alive to the interests of the borough.
In casting your vote at the primary election, I ask your
kindly consideration.

Respectfully

LOUIS J. MITCHELL

ELECTRIC SPARKS

is its first name.

A man cannot help but be a friend
to a simple minded fellow like a pol-
itician after a job.

The United States may investigate
German steel. However that does not
mean that any probe is to conducted
out of this country.

This idea of a man riding himself
of the worries and troubles of this
world by shuffling off his own hand
into the next, might bear disappoint-
ment for him.

Several summer resorts assert that
the turkey trot must go. Why, "Go".

Snakes are reported to be thick

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR BURGESS

DR. J. W. MANON
DEMOCRATIC

Primaries, Sept. 16., 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR DIRECTOR OF THE POOR

R. C. BUCHANAN
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16., 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

FRED W. BRADY
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16., 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

TAYLOR FOREMAN
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16., 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

FRANK BLY
WASHINGTON

Primaries, Sept. 16., 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

ALLEN S. MANSFIELD
DEMOCRATIC

Primaries, Sept. 16., 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I. R. BLYTHE
REPUBLICAN

Primaries Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

J. W. MATHIAS
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Mentzer's Issue Challenge

The Mentzer A. C. baseball team
of Monessen, through their manager
Arthur Leclercq, has issued a chal-
lenge to the Bill Phillips Crescents, of
Charleroi, for a game to be played
for the championship of the Monon-
gahela valley of teams of their age.
If the Charleroi team accepts the
challenge it is likely that a game will
be arranged in the near future.

in Tennessee. But how did they ever
escape from Kentucky.

Stop That Leakage

Benjamin Franklin says, "Beware of little expense; a small leak will sink a ship."

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MUTUAL RELATIONS AND INTERESTS OF THE BELL SYSTEM AND THE PUBLIC

The suit brought by the United States questioning the purchase of certain telephone properties in the northwest, as well as the pending Interstate Commerce Commission telephone investigation, have caused many inquiries. Without taking up anything going to the merits of these proceedings, it has seemed to us proper to state generally what has been our policy and purpose in the conduct of our business.

We have found, or thought that we had, that our interests were best served; and we believe that such success as we have had has been because our business has been conducted on these lines.

We believe that our company has an interest as vital as that of the public in the proper administration of the problems of electrical intercommunication. The success and prosperity of our company depend upon a solution of these problems which shall be sound from both the standpoint of the company and the public which it serves.

Following our own best judgment, supplemented by the best obtainable advice, we have endeavored to do what would best serve the public interest; wherever possible our plans have been disclosed to the public in advance, and what has been done in carrying them out has been along ordinary business lines, with the implied and generally with the expressed approval, authorization or consent of the municipal and state authorities directly interested. Our effort has been not only to obey the law, but to avoid everything which might even have the appearance of an attempt at evasion.

Our business methods and policy, and practically all of the details as to the transaction of our business, are matters of common knowledge and are, and for many years have been, well known to the government. We will willingly furnish the government any additional information which is in our possession or under our control, and will cordially co-operate with it in obtaining such further information as it may require. Every possible assistance will be given by us to the courts in their effort to determine whether our policy is or has been inimical to the public interest. We desire that anything wrong be corrected; we will voluntarily rectify any wrong that may be pointed out to us; and, so far as it may be determined that our policy or any act under it is against the public interest, we will promptly conform to such determination.

We believe that if each of our exchanges were made an independent unit and if each connecting line were put under a separate control, the effect upon the telephone service of the country would be a condition so intolerable that the public would refuse to submit to it and would immediately require such physical connection and common control of these various units as would amalgamate them into a single system. Physical connection in the case of telephone or telegraph does not mean transfer of messages from one line to the other. It means such a connection as will permit one person to have the actual possession of the particular line of communication from one end of it to the other and this can only be given efficiently by exchange systems and connecting lines under a common control; and that is what the Bell System is.

In this connection, and for general information, we will restate the policy which controlled the building up of the Bell System, and our belief as to what a telephone system should be, and what are its relations to the public.

We believe in and were the first to advocate state or government control; and regulation of public utilities; that this control or regulation should be by permanent quasi-judicial bodies, acting after thorough investigation and governed by the equities of each case; and that this control or regulation, beyond requiring the greatest efficiency and economy, should not interfere with management or operation. We believe that these bodies, if they are to be permanent, effective and of public benefit, should be thoroughly representative; they should be of such character and should so conduct their investigations and deliberations as to command such respect from both the public and the corporations that both will without question accept their conclusions.

We believe that the public would in this way get all the advantages and avoid all the manifest disadvantages of public ownership.

We believe that centers of business and population exist for the convenience of the public as a whole, and that such centers can prosper without sufficient and efficient means of intercourse with other centers and tributary territories; that such means can only be afforded by prosperous utility and service companies and that fair rates are essential to prosperous companies. We do not believe that any public either desires or can obtain, nor can any service or utility furnish, permanent and efficient service at less than cost, including capital charges. We believe that ultimately the public either directly or indirectly pays the losses involved in the efforts to furnish such service at less than its fair cost, either through the loss of the capital involved, the losses incident to poor service or the necessary increase in charges required to pay for duplication of capital.

We believe that the highest commercial value of the telephone service depends on its completeness—on the extent and comprehensiveness of the facilities for intercommunication, not only between individuals but between centers of population; that no isolated section can be considered independently of any other section or of the whole; that rates must be so adjusted as to make it possible to obtain the maximum development by making it

possible for every one to be connected who will add to the value of the system, thus giving the greatest value to the greatest number; that the interdependence of the telephone service and the value of complete and universal intercommunication justify and require some services partly at the expense of the whole for the benefit of the whole.

We believe that this highest commercial value can only be attained by one system under one common control and that it cannot be given by independent systems unless they are operated under agreements which result in one common control and one common interest, in effect making them a single system.

We believe that rates should be so adjusted as to afford the company sufficient revenue to pay such wages and compensation as will secure the most efficient service; to maintain the very highest and most advanced standards of plant and apparatus, to carry on such scientific and experimental research and inventions as to apparatus and methods as to insure the highest standards, and to carry to reserve and depreciation such amounts as will enable the company at any time to replace old plant and old methods with new plant and new methods as fast as they may be developed and found to be to the advantage of the service. We believe that in addition, such fair charges should be paid upon the investment in plant as will enable the company at any time to obtain money necessary to provide the plant required to meet the continuing demands of the public and in order that waste and duplication of effort may be avoided and uniformity of purpose and common control be enforced; that there should be a centralized general administration in close communication with and having general authority over the whole on matters common to all or matters of general policy.

We believe that any surplus beyond that necessary to equalize dividends on a fair basis should be used by the company for the benefit of the public and should be in alienable for any other purpose, and should be either invested in revenue-producing plant until necessary to substitute plant which may become inadequate or obsolete, or should be used to make the service cheaper or better.

We believe that under proper governmental control and regulation the profits from promotion or operation allowed to be distributed should not be so large as to warrant or tempt complete duplication of plant and organization, with its duplication of its capital charges and its organization, operating, maintenance and depreciation expenses; and we do not believe that utilities giving at fair rates an efficient and sufficiently comprehensive universal service should be subject to limited competition, not giving such service. Competition which ignores the obligation to furnish a complete and comprehensive service is not competition, is not for the benefit of the public in that it does not reach the whole public interested.

If, therefore, complete duplication, with its dual exchange connection and dual bills for service, is a prerequisite to complete competition, government control and regulation cannot go hand in hand with competition.

We believe that the record of the Bell System will be accepted by the public as fully in accord with these declarations. Consistent adherence to this policy has given the public of the United States the best, most comprehensive and cheapest telephone service in the world and made the Bell standards the standards of all nations.

To remove any possible excuse for misapprehension on account of the many misleading statements which have been circulated as to the alleged unnecessary and overcapitalization and excessive charges of the Bell System, the following statistics are given. Except where stated, the figures are for the Bell System; that is, the American Telephone and Telegraph and its Associated Companies.

The entire Bell System on June 30, 1913, had outstanding in the hands of the public obligations (i. e., notes, open accounts, bonds and shares) to the par value of \$776,000,000.

The book value of the total tangible assets, which is considerably less than their replacement value, amounted to \$960,000,000. Many appraisals of property included in these assets have been made, and most of them under the direction of public authorities. In no case has the value as it stands in the books failed to be sustained, and in most cases it has been very largely exceeded.

The total dividends and interest paid during the year 1912 amounted to only 6.1 per cent on the average of its outstanding obligations, and to less than 5 per cent on the average value of its assets.

The actual cash which has been paid into the treasury of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company on account of the capital obligations now outstanding amounts to \$22,000,000 more than the par of such outstanding obligations.

The Associated Companies collected from the public and paid back in taxes over \$10,000,000 during the year 1912.

The steadily increasing necessities of the public not only for additional but for new telephone service can only be met by our new construction, involving capital outlay. To meet these demands during the six and one-half years from 1907 to June, 1913, inclusive, the increase in telephone plant was as follows: Toll line wire increased from 1,460,000 miles to 2,242,000 miles; exchange wire increased from 6,000,000 miles to 13,000,000; the number of exchange stations increased from 2,730,000 to 5,200,000; the number of stations of independent companies connected with the Bell System increased from 343,000 to 2,320,000. The number of independent

companies connected with the Bell System is about 25,000. The number of employees in the Bell System, not including the employees of connected companies, on December 31, 1912, was 141,000.

During this same period the number of shareholders of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, not including either the associated or connected companies, increased from 17,000 to about 31,000. About 17,000 shareholders held less than 100 shares each; 6,500 shareholders held from 100 to 1,000 shares each; 317 shareholders held from 1,000 to 5,000 shares each, while there are only 15 shareholders of 5,000 shares or over in their own right. A majority of the shareholders are women.

American Telephone and Telegraph Co. Theo. N. Vail, President. St. Louis

NORTH CHARLEROI

Frank Machem of Brownsville visited his sister, Mrs. John Cope.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cope and children were callers at McKeesport.

Mrs. J. C. Brown is on the sick list.

Mrs. George Gillus spent Tuesday in McKeesport.

Alta B. Wood was at Pittsburg Friday of last week.

Persie Nye of Ohio visited his sister, Miss Ethel Nye.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cope and children were visiting relatives at Vanvorhis.

Tom Winchatt of Monongahela is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Leslie Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Dawson and son have returned to their home in Indiana after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stately McCarty.

Mrs. George Dennis and children are visiting relatives in Morgantown, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bane and daughter Mildred, visited relatives near Donora.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burer returned to Ohio, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Stober.

B. F. Stonemen of Fayette City was a caller here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Zollers and children of McKeesport were guests of Mr. Zollers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zollers Sunday. Other guests were Miss Addie McCarty, of Bentleyville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flack of Scottsdale.

Miss Katherine Connell is on the sick list.

Not His Death Warrant

A police magistrate in Paris had a queer experience not long ago which began with an interview with an hysterical woman. She rushed into his office, past the attendant and, interrupting a conversation, threw a crumpled letter on the officer's desk and with pathetic gesture wailed: "Save him! Save him!"

The official thought he had an insane person before him, but picked up the paper, which looked like a letter. It began in letters larger than the body of the document: "You must die! Nothing will save you! You must die!"

"He has always been a good man, and the little we owe we can pay at any time," the woman said between sobs, "and now there is a conspiracy against him."

While she was protesting the magistrate read the letter and, handing it back, said: "Go home to your family—read the rest of this letter. It is a life insurance advertisement."

The woman then told the magistrate she could not read, that a neighbor had read for her, and so many people were being killed, and she was so happy.

Glass Cutting.

The layman who is introduced to the mysteries of cutting glass for the first time is amazed at the amount of work that the workman does entirely by his eye. The first stage of the bowl which is to be cut finds it in a perfectly plain condition, not a scratch upon it and only a half dozen or more marks in red chalk, which mean absolutely nothing to the unpracticed eye. But to the workman they mean the whole pattern. Perhaps the dish is a salad bowl. The marks in chalk will run from the edge, five intervals apart, down to the center of the bowl at the bottom. In one of the divisions of the bowl thus marked there may be a little further marking in the shape perhaps of a diamond. This indicates the pattern into which the bowl is to be cut, and it will be repeated in each of the five divisions. All the intricacies of the design the workman has in his head, and they develop on the glass in a way which seems to the looker on absolutely marvelous.—New York Times.

Quite Willing.

Kirby Stone—Let me mention it, dear, but I must tell you that business has been awfully poor lately. If you could economize a little in dresses—wear something plainer—

Mrs. Stone—Certainly, dear! I shall order some plainer dresses tomorrow.—Puck.

His Protest.

The Dentist—Let me see! I'll have to treat four teeth—eight teeth—eighteen teeth—

Mr. Pido—Hold on! Four teeth, eight teeth, eighteen teeth! What do you think I am—a comb?—London Tatler.

In your hand you hold a five-cent piece.

Right at the grocer's hand is a moisture-proof package of U need a Biscuit. He hands you the package—you hand him the coin. A trifling transaction?

Not A remarkable one—for you have spent the smallest sum that will buy a package of good food; and the grocer has sold you the most nutritious food made from flour—as clean and crisp and delicious as it was when it came from the oven.

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Going Too Far. "Ma, ma," sobbed Willie, "do my ears belong to my neck or my face?"

"Why, what is the matter?" was the temporizing reply.

"Well, you told Mary to wash my face, and she's washing my ears too."—Manchester Guardian.

Tantalizingly Accurate.

She—There's such a thing as too much accuracy. He—No, no; it cannot be. She—Yes, I told Jack he could have just one kiss, and he only took one.—Princeton Tiger.

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A Decade In Transit

By ALICE T. BURGE

What a receptacle for miscellaneous articles are books! When one closes a book he or she—most probably she—will take up almost anything to mark the place. Then, too, things that may be well preserved find their way between the leaves of volumes. Flowers, photographs, old letters, bits of paper of all kinds, may be shaken out of books.

One day one Joseph Werner, a man of thirty, strolled into a library to nose about among the volumes on the shelves. He was a scholarly fellow, and the books he sought were such as few persons cared for. Passing a shelf marked "History," he took down a copy of "Josephus," an eminent Jewish historian, who wrote during the first century of the Christian era. Turning over the leaves, he came upon an unfinished letter written in a woman's hand. The words "Dear Joe" caught his eye, and since his name was Joe he was interested. Glancing at the date, he saw that ten years had passed since the letter had been written.

He pictured in his mind the history of the volume from the day the letter had been placed in it. A girl was writing to a man. Some one entered the room whom she did not wish to see the letter "Josephus" was lying open on a table. She placed the letter in the book and closed it. Either she had forgotten it or had been called away and never saw it again. The volume with the letter in it had found its way into the library, where it may not have been opened up to the present time.

While Werner was dreaming about the letter he was looking at the photographs. It reminded him of writing that he had seen long ago. It was all very vague, but there was something inexplicably tender connected with it. He glanced down to see who was the writer, but since it was unfinished there was no signature.

His mind drifted back to a period about the time the letter was written. Perhaps it was an association with the handwriting. He was then entering upon his first, and thus far his only, love. How delightful that gradual fusing of two young hearts! Loving was as natural as breathing. Then came the serious part. He was about to go away to fight on the world's battlefield for a living—a competence, a fortune. He had spoken his love, which was returned, but the girl must have time to think about it. She was farseeing and thought it unwise to engage herself to one who had not yet even made a start. She would let him know before he went away. But he did not hear from her.

While thus reverting to the past his eyes were fixed on the letter. He read without knowing that he was reading. The writer evidently was giving to a lover an answer such as he had hoped to receive.

Leaving the volume on the shelf, he took the letter to a window, where he could get a clearer view of the handwriting. It looked more familiar than before. Gradually a belief came to him that the letter had been written to him. He remembered the date that he had left home, and that on the letter was the day before his going. As he looked and continued to look the old familiar hand came back to him. There was no mistaking it. The letter had been written—not finished—to him. But it had never been sent.

Why? Ah! There was the mystery. The letter went into Werner's pocket instead of the volume in which it had been inclosed. He knew where the writer lived, though he had not seen her since he parted with her a decade ago. He determined to go to her for an explanation.

They stood face to face. Each recognized the other. He drew the letter from his pocket and handed it to her. She looked at it in wonder, recognizing it, but evidently being dazed at holding it in her hands.

"How did you come by this?" she asked.

He related to her the strange happening by which he and the letter had drifted to the library and met there. Her memory seemed to be confused in part, though as to writing the letter it was clear.

"I wrote this," she said, "the day before you left us. Mother suspected that something was between us and had advised that we remain each free until you were able to marry. Nevertheless I resolved to answer you in the affirmative. While I was writing I heard mother coming. A book—I don't remember what book—lay open on the table near me. I put the unfinished letter in it and closed it."

"Mother asked me what I was going to do about you, and I gave her an evasive answer. She drew a promise from me to take no action without notifying her. I was but seventeen and uncertain what to do; therefore I did nothing. The letter remained in the book, where I had placed it. When we gave up housekeeping, leaving our home, we sold all our books to a dealer. How it came into the library where you found it I can't imagine unless the library bought it from the dealer."

"Your mother, who was present," he said, "I being absent, made up your mind for you then. It behooves me, who am now present, to make it up for you now. Let us consider this letter finished, signed, sealed and sent. Nothing remains but to make up for lost time."

And that day

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The opposite is quite the case.

The signal lamp before the operator does not work properly when the hook is moved rapidly.

Work the hook up and down SLOWLY; then the operator will note your signal and answer immediately.

The Bell System



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Next year when people from the Monongahela valley attend the camp-meeting at Bentleyville they will not have to go by a roundabout method, or have to take their chances at hiring a buggy or going by hack. The West Side street railways line from Charleroi to Bentleyville is to be completed by that time and in operation. Construction work is now being put in good shape, and everything looks well towards completion of the line by the middle or the latter part of next spring.

Consumptives Helped by Tuberculosis Medicine

It is folly to believe that Consumption differs from every other disease in not requiring the use of any medicine for its treatment. For a number of years an enormous mass of voluntary and thankful testimonials from persons who consider that they owe their lives to Eckman's Alternative, a medicine for Tuberculosis, has been accumulating. Surely plenty of time to demonstrate its lasting value. You can write to any of them. Here is one: "Gentlemen: In the winter of 1908 I had an attack of Grippe, followed by Pneumonia and later by Consumption. I grew steadily worse. In the winter of 1909 I had cough, night sweats, fever and raised quantities of awful-looking stuff one time three in three successive days. Milk and eggs became so distasteful I could keep nothing down. Three physicians treated me. I was ordered to the mountains, but did not go. Eckman's Alternative was recommended by a friend. After taking a small quantity, I had the first quiet night's sleep for weeks. My improvement was marked from the first. I gained strength and weight and appetite. I never had another hemorrhage and my cough gradually lessened until entirely gone. I am perfectly well. Everything I say here can be verified by my family and friends." ANNE F. LOUGHRAN. (Sworn affidavit) Eckman's Alternative is effective in Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Whooping Cough, Lung Troubles, and in rebuilding the system. Does not contain poisons, opiates or habit-forming drugs. Ask for booklet telling of recoveries, and write to Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia, Pa. for more evidence. For sale by all leading druggists Sold by W. F. Hennings.

LOST IN A FOG

By THOMAS R. DEAN

It was summer, and I was on the seashore. Desirous of getting away from every one, I started out for a walk on the beach. I had gone several miles perhaps (I could have walked on the same stretch of sand for half a day without meeting an obstacle) when I saw a bank of cloud coming in from the ocean. In a few minutes I was enveloped in it. The wind that had brought it in died down to a dead calm, and everything was still.

I thought I had my bearings and, turning, started back toward my hotel. But I was off my course, for I had not gone far before I stepped on the verge of a shallow indentation in the sand filled with water left by the outgoing tide. It was evident that I had been walking into the ocean. I turned and started again, as I supposed, toward the dunes, but I must have swerved, for I walked on and on for some time on sand. Then I stood still.

It was a singular sensation, standing there, all direction obliterated—something like being in perfect darkness or on the ocean out of sight of land. No, it was like neither of these; it was like itself only. But I wondered if being suspended in space would resemble the sensation I experienced. Then suddenly a voice came out of the surrounding vapor. It was a girl's voice, sounding as clear and distinct as if spoken in the stagnant atmosphere following a snowstorm.

"Here I am." I was so startled at the sudden break of the surrounding oblivion that it did not occur to me to make a sound myself. There was something in the change from isolation to contiguity that seemed like passing from nothingness to life. Then, too, the density of the atmosphere imparted a melodious tone to the voice that harmonized with a chord in my own being. I had plenty of time within a few seconds to feel all these things before I said:

"And here am I." Sound does not of itself give direction, and I knew not whence the words I had heard came. But in another moment the fog directly before me darkened, then resolved itself into a girl's figure. Seeing me, a stranger to her, she stepped back, then stood still.

"Are you lost?" I asked. "Indeed I am," was the reply. "A girl friend and I were caught in the fog. She stepped out ahead of me and we became separated. I called her."

"I would be happy to guide you," I said. "But I am unable to guide myself. However, you had better permit me to stand by you till the fog lifts."

"I'm afraid my friend may have walked into some quicksand or water or something. She was with me a few minutes ago and has suddenly disappeared."

"Call her," I suggested. "Helen, Helen!" called my companion.

She elicited no response. "We may as well go on," I said; "doubtless we shall come out somewhere. Don't worry about your friend. There are no quicksands on this beach."

We moved—in what direction we knew not—and chatted as we proceeded. There seemed a great change, a great relief from the preceding isolation to this companionship. I certainly felt it, and the girl kept very close to me, as if fearing she might lose me as she had lost her friend.

"What is that?" she asked suddenly. "What?"

She pointed, but I saw nothing. She told me that she had seen something dark moving beside us, but as soon as she spoke it quickly faded.

We went on for some time, but all was sand. The beach was broad, very broad, and the ebb tide went out a great distance. I did not wonder that we reached nothing different. Then I saw a dark spot moving near us. My companion saw it, too, and, frightened, clung to me.

I am not superstitious and had it not been for my companion would have sprung toward the spot to discover whether it was human. But I found that clinging of a fair girl so delightful that I preferred to remain as I was. I reassured my companion in a whisper, putting my lips nearer than necessary to her ear and feeling her warm breath. I kept my eyes on the spot while she turned her face toward me that she might not see it. I was puzzled as to what it could be, but I believed it to be some animal, though I could hear no footsteps.

"It must be a ghost!" I said in a husky stage voice, whereupon my companion clung to me the tighter, which was the effect I intended to produce.

Suddenly the fog began to clear, and with that rapidity with which fogs come, they take themselves away, and revealed the figure of a girl walking rapidly away from us.

"Why, it's Helen!" exclaimed my companion. "I believe she has been near us all the while."

"Helen!" she called. The retreating girl stopped and turned. I could see that the surprise she showed was feigned. She joined us with an amused smile on her face and confessed that she had heard the words "Here I am," but, thinking to bother her friend, had remained silent.

When she was about to reply she heard my "And here am I." She had kept silent to get a bit of fun out of it and had succeeded.

We three in time became fast friends.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Rev. Jules Dauthenry, pastor of the French Presbyterian church in Tarentum has returned home after visiting Rev. J. E. Charles, pastor of the French Presbyterian church of Charleroi.

Prof. and Mrs. Thomas L. Pollock, Mrs. T. R. Eagye, and Mrs. F. C. Stahlman have returned from Chattanooga.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerfoot W. Daly and daughter Mary Violet and Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Thompson have left for a visit at the Great Lakes.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Russell M. Sphar, of Coraopolis, formerly of Charleroi, a son.

Miss Helen L. Meeker returns this week after having spent her vacation in Cleveland. She attended military openings in Cleveland, New York, Washington and Philadelphia.

Mrs. George Ray of Boston, Mass. and daughter Niloa have left for home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Fanny Gilder of Prospect avenue.

Miss Anna and Miss Belle Packie of Baltimore, Md. and Mrs. H. J. Williams of Pittsburgh who have been visiting at the homes of C. R. and F. H. Welch returned home Monday evening.

Mrs. Richard Kief and daughter Loretta of Mt. Pleasant are visiting Mrs. Louis Velletay.

Mrs. Smith and Miss Emery of Pittsburgh are visiting Mrs. Robert Murray.

Mrs. Clarence Christner, nephew Lester Hainey of Charleroi, and Mrs. Williams of Unlontown have gone to Cleveland and Detroit to visit.

Mrs. S. L. Woodward is a visitor in Pittsburgh today.

Miss Mary Hayes and Miss Anna Bromwich have returned home after a vacation at Conneaut Lake and Knoxville.

Mrs. Frank McIlvaine has gone to Pittsburgh to visit with her daughter Mrs. S. R. Mountsier.

Miss Eleanor Bake is visiting her cousin, Miss Sarah Mountsier in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. John Porter has left for Butler to attend the funeral of her nephew Carl Porter who was killed by an automobile.

Misses Gertrude and Freda Blank are visiting in Pittsburgh.

A number of the members of the L. C. B. A. left this morning to attend

Classified Ads

WANTED—Girl for general housework, 330 Washington avenue. 27-tf

LOST—Braid fob with gold charm, engraved H. B. W. Lost between Allentown and Lock No. 4. Finder return to 262 Mail office and receive reward. 28-t5p

FOR SALE—At a bargain. My four passenger touring car. 1912 model. W. H. Calvert. 30t3p

FOR SALE—23 feet 6 H. P. speed model auto-motor boat. Inquire Third street ferryman. 30t6p

WANTED—Girl at 712 McKean avenue. 31t6

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Good wages to good girl. Small family, 408 Crest avenue. 31t3p

the annual reunion which is being held at Kemyrwood Park.

Miss Ditty of Pittsburg visited Miss Anna McCann.

Miss Remola Anderson is taking a week's vacation at Bentleyville camp. Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews, and Mrs. Iva Bly left today for Lonaconing, Md.

Mrs. E. N. Duty left for her home in Bellevue. Rev. Duty is spending his vacation along Chesapeake Bay.

Miss Marie and Eva Sloan of Dormont, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Anna Kibler of Lincoln avenue.

Miss Kathryn Estenfelder has gone to Cleveland, Ohio, where she will attend the title shows.

Mrs. T. S. Oskin of Duquesne, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hormell, of Prospect avenue.

Mrs. Joseph Mills, of Breckenridge, has returned home after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Goehring, of Meadow avenue.

Joseph W. Martin, who is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for county recorder was a business visitor today.

Attending Reunion.

L. H. Goehring and family today went to Beaver county to attend the reunion of the Goehring family at a Goehring farm near Ellwood. Probably from 400 to 500 members of the family will attend. The family is one of the largest in the Pittsburgh section.

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QUESTIONS OPERATION OF NON-PARTISAN LAW

Judge Van Searingen Declares it Unconstitutional

CONFUSION RESULTS

Candidates and Politicians Apprehensive--Seek Higher Courts Opinion

Holding that the non-partisan feature of the Clark election bill, passed at the last session of the legislature and signed by Gov. Tener is unconstitutional because it conflicts with the constitution on the point of equality of election, Judge J. Q. Van Searingen, of Fayette county, handed down a decision at Uniontown Tuesday that has confused politicians all over the state. It is probable that the higher court will be asked for an interpretive opinion of the non-partisan act supplying to superior court judgeship elections and elections in cities of the third and second class.

It is held in the adverse opinion that the law-making power could not escape the constitutional provision that "all elections shall be equal." It is contended that to provide for the election of judges municipal and judicial officials, of one method and for all other officials by another was a transgression of the constitutional commandment.

Six cases were before the court at Uniontown raising different questions under the act, there being a contention as to whether any of the provisions of the act applied to Connellsville, owing to its present state of transition from a borough to a city.

Candidates are apprehensive of the results of the decision. Washington county would not be much affected by the decision should it hold the test of the higher court. Only the superior court judge election and the Monongahela city elections would come under the provisions of the act. Monongahela is the only third class city in the county. Pittsburg is all wrought up and may ask an opinion from a higher court at once.

MARRIED HERE; WILL LIVE IN STATE OF OHIO

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Nickeson on Meadow avenue was the scene of a very pretty wedding Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, when Mrs. Nickeson's sister, Miss Minnie Barre, was united in marriage to Frederick W. Bates, of Chicago. Rev. J. E. Charles performed the ceremony. Functions of honor were performed by the bride's little nieces and nephew, Zeta Minnie Nickeson, playing the wedding march, and the twins, Mabel Anna and Master Ira W. Nickeson acting as flower girl and ringbearer, respectively.

A wedding supper was given at the Nickeson home by Mrs. Nickeson in honor of the bride and groom after the ceremony was performed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates left today for Cincinnati, where they will make their future home, the groom having business interests there.

To Suggest Candidates

North Charleroi Republicans and Democrats to Hold Meetings this Week

Two suggestion meetings will be held this week at North Charleroi. The first will be tonight, when the Republicans will meet to name possible candidates for nomination for the borough offices. Tomorrow night will be Democratic night, when the Democrats will get together to name their candidates. There are five councilmen to be elected; two school directors, one assessor, tax collector, auditors and local officers.

MONESSEN READY FOR RINGGOLDS

Committees Get Final Matters in Shape for Reunion

ARE COMING TOMORROW

Committees at Monessen are today making final preparations for the entertainment there tomorrow of the Ringgold Battalion and it is expected that practically every survivor of the famous regiment will attend the affair. The town will be decorated for the event. Definite word has been received from Col. A. J. Greenfield, the only living regimental officer that he will be present. He will come all the way from Chicago, to attend the reunion rather than miss one.

On the Monessen reception committee are three of Monessen's five Civil war veterans. They are Harrison Anderson, Isaac Knetzchild, and Harry Davis. The other two veterans living in Monessen are Gabriel Butler and I. H. Jackson. Veterans from nearby towns have been invited. A parade in the evening and a campfire will be features of the reunion.

AEROPLANE FLIGHTS TO FEATURE BOOSTER WEEK AT MONESSEN

Featuring its booster week to be celebrated the first week of September, Monessen will have aeroplane flights. These aeroplane flights, according to contract, will be given daily by aeroplanists by the name of Thomas from Bath, N. Y. It is likely they will make their start on the river near the Page plant. In addition to the aeroplane flights it is stated there will be other features of interest.

Laying Sidewalks
Sidewalks are being laid on Fallowfield avenue between Ninth and Tenth streets. On the west side of the street sidewalks have been laid nearly the entire length of the block, adding greatly to the appearance of the street.

CHAUTAUQUA WEEK TO BE WEEK OF CULTURE

Monongahela People Getting Ready for Big Event Beginning Next Tuesday--Charleroi People Interested

Chautauqua numbers of more than ordinary excellence will be offered at Monongahela during Chautauqua week that will be observed from August 26 to September 1. Friday morning's lecture for the opening will be on Tuesday afternoon, August 26, when the Redpath Grand Opera company will give a musical recital. The Redpath-Brookway Lyceum Bureau is furnishing the attractions for the Chautauqua and will manage the various productions.

Only the very best is to be had in music, and lectures will be given. The Redpath Grand Opera company will appear on both Tuesday afternoon and evening of the opening date. The Tuesday evening number will be the production of the grand opera, "The Lover's Quarrel." Philadelphia On Tuesday afternoon, George L. McNutt, known as the "Dinner Parlor" will lecture, and his theme will be "Culture and Democracy."

Wednesday's program will begin at 9 o'clock with the organization of the Boy Scout's band. A lecture will be given on "Economics and Human Welfare." The University Boys will give a concert on the afternoon of this day, and this will be followed by an interpretive recital. The Word and His Wife, by Isabel Garzhill Beecher. The evening musical number will be given by the University Boys.

One of the chief features of the entire week will be a debate on Wednesday night by Hon. Emil Seidel, of Milwaukee, once mayor of that city, and Hon. J. Adam Bore, of Minnesota, former congressman. They will debate on the subject "Is Socialism Desirable for the United States." Seidel who is one of the most noted Socialists in the country will defend Socialism.

Thursday morning's session will begin by a lecture for boy scouts on "Population and Poverty." The Florentine Trio will give a concert in the afternoon, and this will be followed by a lecture "The Awakening" by Horace Frank Comerford. The Ben Greet players, who are noted producers of

GOOD GOVERNMENT IS HIS PLATFORM

Capt. John K. Hein Asks for Republican Nomination for Burgess on Merits

Today the announcement of Capt. John K. Hein as a candidate for the nomination on the Republican ticket for Burgess is being made. Capt. Hein is seeking the nomination on a platform of good government and will push his candidacy before the voters with a clean-cut record to back him.

Capt. Hein, with a record in military service, came to Charleroi 17 years ago, and at once entered into the affairs of the town. He was a worker from that time forth until the present day in the interests of the good of the town.

Capt. Hein is and always has been a Republican. He was honored by the voters of Charleroi by being elected to council several years back. He was subsequently reelected and in all

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FRYE REUNION IS POSTPONED

Annual Meeting of Noted Washington County Family is Cancelled

Owing to a conflict in dates at Eldora park, the Frye family reunion will not be held this year, having been postponed until next year. Arrangements had been started to hold the reunion at the park on the last Saturday of August, which would be August 30, but this date had been booked by the Socialists and the members from the Monongahela valley for a monster outing. To have held a reunion on that date would not have been advisable it was deemed by the officers of the Frye Reunion Association, and the entire arrangements were cancelled.

Charles O. Frye of Charleroi is the president of the reunion association and Mrs. John S. Van Voorhis of Belle Vernon is the secretary.

TESTS AUTHORIZED FOR ACADEMY APPOINTMENTS

Maccabees at Eldora Today

Women From All Along Valley Attend Outing--Lady Commander Here

The Valley Association of Lady Maccabees are holding their annual picnic at Eldora today. The present people from all along the valley are coming, even from as far south as Uniontown. There will be exhibition drives by guard teams of various wives, and races this afternoon for young and old. All kinds of amusements are being provided. Miss Nellie E. Lunsbury, state commander of Pennsylvania and Mrs. W. M. Ellsworth, past great commander are expected to be present all day.

TO HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC

Monongahela to Try Charleroi Plan for Outing Tomorrow

WILL CLOSE UP SHOP

Business houses and stores at Monongahela will be closed on Thursday afternoon and evening, and Monongahela business men and citizens will enjoy their annual outing at Eldora park. Capt. E. W. Harland and his football committee has prepared for the affair. A band concert by one of the Monongahela bands in the evening from 5 to 7 o'clock will be one of the chief features of the day.

The picnic will be one of the old fashioned kind where every body takes a basket and goes prepared for a general good time. In many respects the outing will be similar to that held some time ago by the Charleroi Business Men's association at Eldora park.

CENTERVILLE MAN MEETS DEATH IN RIVER WHIRLPOOL

News has been received of the tragic death, in a whirlpool in a mountain stream near Seattle, Wash., of Algeon Michener, a former resident of Centerville. While on a fishing trip he became separated from his companions along the banks of a stream. Later his friends found his coat upon the bank and the body of Michener in a whirlpool. It is supposed that in the excitement of making a catch he ventured too far into the river and was swept from his feet.

Mr. Michener was a son of the late Capt. John E. Michener of Centerville. He was vice president of the Stone-Webster Electric Railway company of Seattle.

Congressman Temple Announces Two School Vacancies

ONE AT WEST POINT

District Entitled to One Student--Naval Academy Place is Open

Congressman H. W. Temple has been notified by the War and Navy department that vacancies now exist which entitle the Twenty-fourth district of Pennsylvania to the appointment of one cadet at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point and one midshipman at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

To aid him in making these appointments Congressman Temple has requested the county superintendents of schools in Beaver, Lawrence and Washington counties to conduct a competitive examination of all candidates. This examination will be held at Washington, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, September 6th and will be open to all young men, residents in the district who have the legal qualifications.

Candidates for admission to West Point must not be under 17 or over 22 years of age. Candidates for Annapolis must not be under 16 or over 20 years of age. In neither case the candidate must be of good moral character, physically sound and well developed, and able to pass the entrance examination given by the authorities of the academy.

Fuller information about the examination of September 6th may be obtained by addressing H. W. Temple, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

SIXTEEN ARE CAUGHT IN A MONESSEN RAID

A woman who gave her name as Mary Gensota of Monessen, is being held under \$1,000 bail for court on the charge of operating a bawdy house near the borough limits of Monessen at First street. She was arrested in a raid conducted Sunday night by the state constabulary of Monessen. All told there were 16 persons arrested, four of them being women.

The house in which the arrests were made was one that District Attorney Richard G. Miller, referred to some time ago, when he made sensational disclosures of a gang of white slaves working throughout western Pennsylvania. All of the inmates were required to pay \$10 and costs before being set go.

Sergeant Charles Jacobs of the state constabulary conducted the raid, with him being Joseph Merrifield and James Savage, members of the state constabulary, and Lieutenant Higgins, G. W. Albright, James Atkins, C. W. Wheatley, and Nat Ranin, of the Monessen police force.

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COMMISSION RULE
IN PENNSYLVANIA

"Never before" remarks the Phil-
adelphia Press have the voters in the
third class cities of the state been con-
fronted with greater need to exer-
cise good judgment in the selection
of administrative officials than in the
impending change to commission gov-
ernment under the act passed at the
recent session of the legislature. Under
this new system, the officials to be
nominated at the primaries and elected
in November will be the whole city
government, for they will have leg-
islative as well as executive author-
ity. The broad purpose of the act is
to promote the advancement of the
cities to which it applies and to enable
the people to get the best possible re-
turn for the taxes they pay. Whether
such results shall be obtained or
not will depend a great deal upon the
kind of men who are selected for com-
missioners.

The fact that a salary goes with
the office makes it a tempting place,
and there are innumerable candidates
in every city. Every one of these
should carefully study the law before
he seeks the responsibilities which it
imposes upon a commissioner, and it
would be well also for the voters to
understand that they are no longer
electing ward councilmen. Ex-District
Attorney Lichtenwamer, of Allentown,
who had announced himself
a candidate for one of the places in
that city, has withdrawn since he
read the law because, he says, he
"would have to give the duties of the
position so much and such careful at-
tention that he would have no time
to do anything else." It is undoubtedly
true that this would be required in
almost all the cities.

According to Mr. Lichtenwamer's
statement there are two hundred and
fifty candidates for commissioner in
Allentown, and he does not know that
any of them have read the law or are
qualified to do so. This may be something of an
exaggeration, of course, but where there
are so many candidates in a single
city it may be accepted as certain that
many of them are merely after a pay-
ing job without much regard for the
responsibilities of the office. And the com-
missioners are not very different in other
cities, though candidates may not be
so numerous.

REVISING TELEPHONE RATES

It is not unusual to hear complaints
from subscribers that the telephone
service is expensive says the Wall
Street Journal. This is a matter
which should be settled by the Pub-
lic Service commission, which has
ample statutory powers. It is a
matter where one outsider's opinion
is as good as another's.

In California the matter has re-
cently been investigated by the Rail-
road commission after long hearings
with the officials of the Pacific Tel-
ephone & Telegraph company. Under
the present system the company limits
its initial period to one minute to
each call, while extra charge for
longer time and unusual distance is
made. The commission found that
the average length of time for calls,
and it examined 64,196, was 1.89 min-
utes. It also found that more than
60 per cent of the calls lasted beyond
a minute.

As a result an entirely new system
of charging has been recommended.
It is proposed that the initial period
shall be two minutes and that air-
mileage shall be the basis for com-
puting rates. This means that a rate
of five mills per mile is established
for the first ten miles, and that mul-
tiples of ten are used for greater dis-
tances. These rates furnish some re-
lief to customers, and it is not likely
that they will be seriously opposed
by the company.

No doubt rates should be revised
by the proper authorities from time
to time, and very probably cheaper
terms will be possible as the business
continues to develop. But the cause
for complaint has yet to be developed,
and no Legislature can enact, or com-
mission enforce, rates on a basis of
something for nothing.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

Somebody remarked the other night
that many an innocent act hid an
ulterior motive. Whereat Senator Wil-
liam P. Jackson, of Maryland, gener-
ously smiled relates an exchange. He
explained that it reminded him of an
incident that occurred in Baltimore.

Recently, according to the senator,
a sturdy citizen was sitting on the
front porch trying to talk to a friend
who had called to see him. Within
the parlor the piano was going at a
speed to rip up the rails.

"Say, Jim," said the caller on the
front porch, bending toward the other
in order to make himself heard,
"is that your daughter playing that
piano?"

"Yes," replied the sturdy citizen,
with a covert smile. "Some music,
ain't it?"

"It certainly is," admitted the caller.
"Does she always play so stren-
uously as that?"

"Oh, no," replied the parent. "You
see she has got a young man in the
parlor, and she is pounding out that
music so as to drown the sound of
her mother washin' the dishes."

Speaking of the beautiful way in
which the average person says "ex-
cuse me" after walking on your feet,
Congressman David J. Lewis, of
Maryland, recalled the adventure of
Pat while crossing a pasture field.

Pat was in the country, the con-
gressman said, and wanting to take
a short cut to another road, started
through Cousin Hiram's farm. He had
almost reached the opposite fence
when he suddenly saw urgent need
of great haste. Close behind and
coming strong was Cousin Hiram's
bull.

Instantly Pat threw over his con-
troller as fast as it would go and was
soon making sixty miles an hour, but
the bull was a shade speedier. Slowly
but surely he gained on Pat, and
even while Pat was wondering how
he would ever manage to get over
the fence the bull solved the problem.

A farmer came along just as Pat
dropped on the outside, and saw the
bull pawing and tearing up the ground
within.

"Thunderation!" exclaimed the
farmer, pausing at the side of the
prostrate party. "Did that derned
bull chuck ye over that fence?"

"Shure, an' he did that," replied
Pat, "but I was in a hurry, and I
didn't have time to do anything else."
The dust, "an if it wasn't for the bow-
in' an' scrapin' av the haste, an' his
humble apologies, faith, an' O'd think
he did it on purpose."—Philadelphia
Telegraph.

Food prices now are rather stiff;
Our guests they deplore.
A man could save much money if
He didn't have to eat.
—Punching Post.

GOOD GOVERNMENT
IS HIS PLATFORM

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served nine years and nine months
as a member of the body. His record
was good, and the fact that he was to
be trusted in office was evidenced by
the number of times he was returned.
As one of his friends was heard to
state "Capt. Hein was never known to
be absent when there was work to do,
and was right there always to per-
form what he considered his duty." In
rounding out his term in council, Capt.
Hein was the selection for three
years and nine months as president
of council, and he filled the office with
the same credit that he won for him-
self as a "private" in the affairs of
the borough.

Capt. Hein is not a stranger to the
office of burgess having served in that
capacity on numerous occasions dur-
ing his incumbency in council in the
town. He comes before the people
well versed in the affairs of the office,
and with a clean record.

D. CLYDE HAINES
QUITS POSITION
IN HIGH SCHOOL

D. Clyde Haines, a member of last
year's High school's faculty has re-
signed his high school position here
and accepted a position as teacher in
the Sutton, W. Va., High school. At
a meeting of the school board Tuesday
evening, the resignation was accepted,
but on one was elected to fill the
vacancy.

The contract was awarded Tues-
day night for painting the Second
street and Crest avenue schools to
E. W. Elliott of Charleroi.

STEEL CARS BEING
RUN ON DIVISION
BY PENNSYLVANIA

A number of all steel cars are be-
ing run in trains on the Monongahela
Division of the Pennsylvania rail-
road, displacing the old fashioned
wooden kind. The new cars are elec-
trically lighted and somewhat larger,
and look neater. However, they are
built for interurban service and do
not contain all the equipment that
would seem necessary for longer runs.
It is not improbably but that before
long all steel trains will be run over
the division, fully equipped and dif-
ferent from the cars now in service.

THREE AUTOMOBILES
HANDY AND YET THESE
PICNICERS WALK HOME

Three automobiles, one a truck, were
more or less disabled, and a party of
picnicers had to walk about two miles
home to Charleroi as a result of a
series of accidents out Lincoln ave-
nue extension Tuesday evening. Rich-
ard Herneaux in his truck was haul-
ing the picnicers home, when some-
thing happened and his auto balked.
Harry Frye went out from Charleroi
in his machine to render first aid.
Loading up his machine he started
back. His machine and one of C
Mathews came together, and they all
gave up the ghost temporarily. Then
it was that the picnicers walked.

ELKS TO HOLD
REUNION NEXT
WEEK AT MILTON

The seventh annual reunion of the
Pennsylvania State Association, B.P.
O. Elks will be held in Milton, on Tues-
day, Wednesday and Thursday of next
week, and Elks from all parts of the
state are preparing to attend. Gov.
John K. Tener, a former grand exalted
ruler of the order, Senator Boise
Penrose, and other noted Elks are
expected to attend the reunion. A
parade will take place on Tuesday
and prizes will be awarded to lodges
for various things.

Fine Time at Camp
A party of Charleroi girls in camp
at Fitzgerald stop near Dunlevy are
enjoying a good time. Chaperons are
Miss Celia McDermott of Charleroi,
and Mrs. Morris, of North Charleroi.
Mrs. Fred Clerihue, Mrs. Lee M. Show-
ers and Mrs. H. A. Heupel were vis-
itors at the camp, and today Misses
Dorothy, Jean and Norma Brown
visited there.

To Attend Welsh Picnic
Prof. and Mrs. I. T. Daniel, son
Aubrey, and daughter Mary Eliza-
beth, and Miss Amy Jones went to
Youngstown, Ohio, Tuesday to attend
today a Welsh picnic to be held near
there. Usually this picnic attracts
from 25,000 to 30,000 people, and is
attended by people from all parts of
the country.

To The Voters and Citizens of Charleroi:

In making my formal announcement for the nomi-
nation for Burgess on the Republican ticket at the Primar-
ies to be held on September 16 I wish to state that I enter
the race as a GOOD GOVERNMENT candidate. If nomi-
nated and elected the laws of the borough and affairs un-
der my jurisdiction will be given my very best attention
and every thing possible will be done to give the borough
good government. I will not be ruled or influenced by any
man or set of men in conducting the office as it should be
conducted.

For seventeen years I have been a resident of Char-
leroi and during that time I have served as a member of
the borough council for nine years and nine months, three
years and nine months of which I was president of the
body. I submit to you my record as a resident, as a mem-
ber of council, and my work for the good in all public af-
fairs with which I have been connected.

THE CONDUCTING OF ALL BOROUGH AFFAIRS IN
A GOOD, CLEAN AND MORAL MANNER
IS MY DESIRE.

I respectfully solicit your support

Capt. John K. Hein

FOR BURGESS



To the Voters of Charleroi:

At the primary election
on Tuesday, September 16,
1913, I will be a candidate
for burgess on the Demo-
cratic ticket. I have been
a taxpayer in Charleroi and
North Charleroi boroughs
for fifteen years, and a con-
sistent voter of the Demo-
cratic political faith. In
casting your vote at the com-
ing primary election, kindly
give me a little consid-
eration with the rest of the
candidates.

Respectfully,
S. L. Woodward

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

To the Voters of Charleroi:

At the primary election to take place on Tuesday,
September 16, I will be a candidate on the Washington
Party Ticket for the office of Tax Collector. As account-
ant I have had 10 years experience, and as auditor of
borough finances for two years, I have become familiar
with the work of tax collecting. I am a property holder
and tax payer and alive to the interests of the borough.
In casting your vote at the primary election, I ask your
kindly consideration.

Respectfully
LOUIS J. MITCHELL

ELECTRIC SPARKS

If Wilson and Bryan have as much
trouble getting and keeping affairs
straight as some of their predeces-
sors, perhaps once in a while they
will feel like letting their grape juice
appetites go on a vacation.

It is a far way from editorials to
enamel, but Mr. Lillian Russell seems
determined to make the leap—Wash-
ington Record.

Several summer resorts assert that
they are not must go. Why, "Co"

is its first name.

A man cannot help but be a friend
to a simple minded fellow like a poli-
tician after a job.

The United States may investigate
German steel. However that does not
mean that any probe is to be conducted
out of this country.

This idea of a man ridding himself
of the worries and troubles of this
world by shuffling off his own head
into the next world, is a very disap-
pointment for him.

Snakes are reported to be doing some damage

POLITICAL
ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR BURGESS

DR. J. W. MANON
DEMOCRATIC

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR DIRECTOR OF THE POOR

R. C. BUCHANAN
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

FRED W. BRADY
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

TAYLOR FOREMAN
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

FRANK BLY
WASHINGTON

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

ALLEN S. MANSFIELD
DEMOCRATIC

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

I. R. BLYTHE
REPUBLICAN

Primaries Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

J. W. MATHIAS
REPUBLICAN

Primaries, Sept. 16, 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

Mentzer's Issue Challenge

The Mentzer A. C. baseball team
of Monessen, through their manager
Arthur Leclercq, has issued a chal-
lenge to the Bill Phillips Crescents of
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gahela valley of teams of their age.
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get together?—But how did they even
get together?—But how did they even

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READ THE MAIL

MUTUAL RELATIONS AND INTERESTS OF THE BELL SYSTEM AND THE PUBLIC

The suit brought by the United States questioning the purchase of certain telephone properties in the northwest, as well as the pending Interstate Commerce Commission telephone investigation, have caused many inquiries. Without taking up anything going to the merits of these proceedings, it has seemed to us proper to state generally what has been our policy and purpose in the conduct of our business.

We have found, or thought that we had, that our interests were best served when the public interests were best served; and we believe that such success as we have had has been because our business has been conducted on these lines.

We believe that our company has an interest as vital as that of the public in the proper administration of the problems of electrical intercommunication. The success and prosperity of our company depend upon a solution of these problems which shall be sound from both the standpoint of the company and the public which it serves.

Following our own best judgment, supplemented by the best obtainable advice, we have endeavored to do what would best serve the public interest; wherever possible our plans have been disclosed to the public in advance, and what has been done in carrying them out has been along ordinary business lines, with the implied, and generally, with the expressed approval, authorization or consent of the municipal and state authorities directly interested. Our effort has been not only to obey the law, but to avoid everything which might even have the appearance of an attempt at evasion.

Our business methods and policy, and practically all of the details as to the transaction of our business, are matters of common knowledge and are, and for many years have been, well known to the government. We will willingly furnish the government any additional information which is in our possession or under our control, and will cordially co-operate with it in obtaining such further information as it may require. Every possible assistance will be given by us to the courts in their effort to determine whether our policy is or has been inimical to the public interest. We desire that anything wrong be corrected; we will voluntarily rectify any wrong that may be pointed out to us; and, so far as it may be determined that our policy or any act under it is against the public interest, we will promptly conform to such determination.

We believe that if each of our exchanges were made an independent unit and if each connecting line were put under a separate control, the effect upon the telephone service of the country would be a condition so intolerable that the public would refuse to submit to it and would immediately require such physical connection and common control of these various units as would amalgamate them into a single system. Physical connection in the case of telephone or telegraph does not mean transfer of messages from one line to the other. It means such a connection as will permit one person to have the actual possession of the particular line of communication from one end of it to the other and this can only be given efficiently by exchange systems and connecting lines under a common control; and that is what the Bell System is.

In this connection, and for general information, we will restate the policy which controlled the building up of the Bell System, and our belief as to what a telephone system should be, and what are its relations to the public.

We believe in and were the first to advocate state or government control and regulation of public utilities; that this control or regulation should be by permanent quasi-judicial bodies, acting after thorough investigation and governed by the equities of each case; and that this control or regulation, beyond requiring the greatest efficiency and economy, should not interfere with management or operation. We believe that these bodies, if they are to be permanent, effective and of public benefit, should be thoroughly representative; they should be of such character and should so conduct their investigations and deliberations as to command such respect from both the public and the corporations that both will without question accept their conclusions.

We believe that the public would in this way get all the advantages and avoid all the manifest disadvantages of public ownership.

We believe that centers of business and population exist for the convenience of the public as a whole, and that such centers can prosper without sufficient and efficient means of intercourse with other centers and tributary territories; that such means can only be afforded by prosperous utility and service companies and that fair rates are essential to prosperous companies. We do not believe that any public either desires or can obtain, nor can any service or utility furnish, permanent and efficient service at less than cost, including capital charges. We believe that ultimately the public either directly or indirectly pays the losses involved in the efforts to furnish such service at less than its fair cost, either through the loss of the value of the property involved in the effort, or through the necessary increase in charges required to pay for duplication of capital.

We believe that the highest commercial value of the telephone service depends on its completeness - on the extent and comprehensiveness of the facilities for intercommunication, not only between individuals but between communities; that no isolated section can be considered independent of any other section or of the whole; that rates must be so adjusted as to make it possible to obtain the maximum development by making it possible for every one to be connected who will add to the value of the system, thus giving the greatest value to the greatest number; that the interdependence of the telephone service and the value of complete and universal intercommunication justify and require some services partly at the expense of the whole for the benefit of the whole.

We believe that this highest commercial value can only be attained by one system under one common control and that it cannot be given by independent systems unless they are operated under agreements which result in one common control and one common interest, in effect making them a single system.

We believe that rates should be so adjusted as to afford the company sufficient revenue to pay such wages and compensation as will secure the most efficient service; to maintain the very highest and most advanced standards of plant and apparatus, to carry on such scientific and experimental research and development as to apparatus and methods as to insure the highest standards, and to carry to reserve and depreciation such amounts as will enable the company at any time to replace old plant and old methods with new plant and new methods as fast as they may be developed and found to be to the advantage of the service. We believe that in addition, such fair charges should be paid upon the investment in plant as will enable the company at any time to obtain money necessary to provide the plant required to meet the continuing demands of the public and in order that waste and duplication of effort may be avoided and uniformity of purpose and common control be enforced; that there should be a centralized general administration in close communication with and having general authority over the whole or matters common to all or matters of general policy.

We believe that any surplus beyond that necessary to equalize dividends on a fair basis should be used by the company for the benefit of the public and should be in alienable for any other purpose, and should be either invested in revenue-producing plant which may become inadequate or obsolete, or should be used to make the service cheaper or better.

We believe that under proper governmental control and regulation the profits from promotion or operation allowed to be distributed should not be so large as to warrant or tempt complete duplication of plant and organization, with its duplication of its capital charges and its organization, operating, maintenance and depreciation expenses; and we do not believe that utilities giving at fair rates an efficient and sufficiently comprehensive universal service should be subject to limited competition, not giving such service. Competition which ignores the obligation to furnish a complete and comprehensive service is not competition, is not for the benefit of the public in that it does not reach the whole public interest.

If, therefore, complete duplication, with its dual exchange connection and dual bills for service, is a prerequisite to complete competition, government control and regulation cannot go hand in hand with competition.

We believe that the record of the Bell System will be accepted by the public as fully in accord with these declarations. Consistent adherence to this policy has given the public of the United States the best, most comprehensive and cheapest telephone service in the world and made the Bell standards the standards of all nations.

To remove any possible excuse for misapprehension on account of the many misleading statements which have been circulated as to the alleged unnecessary and overcapitalization, and excessive charges of the Bell System, the following statistics are given. Except where stated, the figures are for the Bell System; that is, the American Telephone and Telegraph and its Associated Companies.

The entire Bell System on June 30, 1913, had outstanding in the hands of the public obligations (i. e., notes, open accounts, bonds and shares) to the par value of \$776,000,000.

The book value of the five tangible assets, which is considerably less than their replacement value, amounted to \$960,000,000. Many appraisals of property included in these assets have been made, and most of them under the direction of public authorities. In no case has the value as it stands on the books failed to be sustained, and in most cases it has been very largely exceeded.

The total dividends and interest paid during the year 1912 amounted to only 6.1 per cent on the average of its outstanding obligations, and to less than 5 per cent on the average value of its assets.

The actual cash which has been paid into the treasury of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company on account of the capital obligations now outstanding amounts to \$22,000,000 more than the par of such outstanding obligations.

The Associated Companies collected from the public and paid back in taxes over \$10,000,000 during the year 1912.

The steadily increasing necessities of the public not only for additional plant but for new telephone service can only be met by our new construction, involving capital outlay. To meet these demands during the six and one-half years from 1907 to June, 1913, inclusive, the increase in telephone plant was as follows: Toll line wire increased from 1,460,000 miles to 2,242,000 miles; exchange wire increased from 6,000,000 miles to 13,000,000 miles; the number of exchange stations increased from 2,730,000 to 5,200,000; the number of stations of independent companies connected with the Bell System increased from 345,000 to 2,320,000. The number of independent

companies connected with the Bell System is about 25,000. The number of employees in the Bell System, not including the employees of connected companies, on December 31, 1912, was 141,000.

During this same period the number of shareholders of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, not including either the associated or connected companies, increased from 17,000 to about 54,000. About 17,000 shareholders hold less than 100 shares each; 6,500 shareholders hold from 100 to 1,000 shares each; 347 shareholders hold from 1,000 to 5,000 shares each, while there are only 19 shareholders of 5,000 shares or over in their own right. A majority of the shareholders are women.

American Telephone and Telegraph Co.
Theo. N. Vail, President.

NORTH CHARLEROI

Frank Machem of Brownsville visited his sister, Mrs. John Cope.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cope and children were callers at McKeesport.

Mrs. J. C. Brown is on the sick list.

Mrs. George Gillis spent Tuesday in McKeesport.

Alta B. Wood was at Pittsburgh Friday of last week.

Persie Nye of Ohio visited his sister, Miss Ethel Nye.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cope and children were visiting relatives at Vanvorhis.

Tom Minehart of Monongahela is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Leslie Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Dawson and son have returned to their home in Indiana after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stately McCarty.

Mrs. George Dennis and children are visiting relatives in Morgantown, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bane and daughter Mildred, visited relatives near Donora.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burer returned to Ohio, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Stober.

B. F. Stonemen of Fayette City was a caller here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Zollers and children of McKeesport were guests of Mr. Zollers parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zollers Sunday. Other guests were Miss Addie McCarty, of Bentleyville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flack of Scottsdale.

Miss Katherine Connell is on the sick list.

Not His Death Warrant

A police magistrate in Paris had a queer experience not long ago which began with an interview with an hysterical woman. She rushed into his office, past the attendant and, interrupting a conversation, threw a crumpled letter on the officer's desk and with pathetic gesture wailed: "Save him! Save him!"

The official thought he had an insane person before him, but picked up the paper, which looked like a letter. It began in letters larger than the body of the document: "You must die! Nothing will save you! You must die!"

"He has always been a good man, and the little we owe we can pay at any time," the woman said between sobs, "and now there is a conspiracy against him."

While she was protesting the magistrate read the letter and, handing it back, said: "Go home to your family—read the rest of this letter. It is a life insurance advertisement."

The woman then told the magistrate she could not read, that a neighbor had read for her, and so many people were being killed, and she was so happy.

Glass Cutting.

The layman who is introduced to the mysteries of cutting glass for the first time is amazed at the amount of work that the workman does entirely by his eye. The first stage of the bowl which is to be cut finds it in a perfectly plain condition, not a scratch upon it and only a half dozen or more marks in red chalk, which mean absolutely nothing to the unpracticed eye. But to the workman they mean the whole pattern. Perhaps the dish is a salad bowl. The marks in chalk will run from the edge, five intervals apart, down to the center of the bowl at the bottom. In one of the divisions of the bowl thus marked there may be a little further marking in the shape, perhaps, of a diamond. This indicates the pattern into which the bowl is to be cut, and it will be repeated in each of the five divisions. All the intricacies of the design the workman has in his head, and they develop on the glass in a way which seems to the looker on absolutely marvelous. —New York Times.

Quite Willing.

Kirby Stone—Let me mention it, dear, but I must tell you that business has been awfully poor lately. If you could, economize a little in dresses—wear something plainer—

Mrs. Stone—Certainly, dear! I shall order some plainer dresses tomorrow. —Puck.

His Protest.

The Dentist—Let me see! I'll have to pull your teeth—eight teeth—eight.

Mr. Stone—Hold on! Four teeth—fourteen teeth. What do you mean? I am a comb! —London.

In your hand you hold a five-cent piece.

Right at the grocer's hand is a moisture-proof package of **U need a Biscuit.** He hands you the package—you hand him the coin. A trifling transaction?

No! A remarkable one—for you have spent the smallest sum that will buy a package of good food; and the grocer has sold you the most nutritious food made from flour—as clean and crisp and delicious as it was when it came from the oven.

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Going Too Far.

"Ma, ma," sobbed Willie, "do my ears belong to my neck or my face?"

"Why, what is the matter?" was the temporizing reply.

"Well, you told Mary to wash my face, and she's washing my ears too!" —Manchester Guardian.

Tantalizingly Accurate.

She—There's such a thing as too much accuracy. He—No, no; it cannot be! She—Yes. I told Jack he could have just one kiss, and he only took one. —Princeton Tiger.

MOTHER SO POORLY

Could Hardly Care for Children — Finds Health in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Bovina Center, N.Y. — "For six years I have not had as good health as I have now. I was very young when my first baby was born and my health was very bad after that. I was not regular and I had pains in my back and was so poorly that I could hardly take care of my two children. I doctored with several doctors but got no better. They told me there was no help without an operation. I have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it has helped me wonderfully. I do most of my own work now and take care of my children. I recommend your remedies to all suffering women."

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"Your mother, who was present, said, 'I being about made up my mind for you then, it behooves me to see you now, to make sure you are all right.'"

A Decade In Transit

By ALICE T. BURGE.

What a receptacle for miscellaneous articles are books! When one closes a book he or she—most probably she—will take up almost anything to mark the place. Then, too, things that may be well preserved find their way between the leaves of volumes. Flowers, photographs, old letters, bits of paper of all kinds, may be shaken out of books.

One day one Joseph Werner, a man of thirty, strolled into a library to nose about among the volumes on the shelves. He was a scholarly fellow, and the books he sought were such as few persons cared for. Passing a shelf marked "History," he took down a copy of "Josephus," an eminent Jewish historian, who wrote during the first century of the Christian era. Turning over the leaves, he came upon an old letter written in a woman's hand. The words "Dear Joe" caught his eye, and since his name was Joe he was interested. Glancing at the date, he saw that ten years had passed since the letter had been written.

He pictured in his mind the history of the volume from the day the letter had been placed in it. A girl was writing to a man. Some one entered the room whom she did not wish to see the letter. "Josephus" was lying open on a table. She placed the letter in the book and closed it. Either she had forgotten it or had been called away and never saw it again. The volume with the letter in it had found its way into the library, where it may not have been opened up to the present time.

While Werner was dreaming about the letter he was looking at the chronology. It reminded him of writing that he had seen long ago. It was all very vague, but there was something inexpressibly tender connected with it. He glanced down to see who was the writer, but since it was unfinished there was no signature.

His mind drifted back to a period about the time the letter was written. Perhaps it was an association with the handwriting. He was then entering upon his first, and thus far his only, love. How delightful that gradual fusing of two young hearts! Loving was as natural as breathing. Then came the serious part. He was about to go away to fight on the world's battlefield for a living—a competence, a fortune. He had spoken his love, which was returned, but the girl must have time to think about it. She was farseeing and thought it unwise to engage herself to one who had not yet even made a start. She would let him know before he went away. But he did not hear from her.

While thus revering to the past his eyes were fixed on the letter. He read without knowing that he was reading. The writer evidently was giving to a lover an answer such as he had hoped to receive.

Leaving the volume on the shelf, he took the letter to a window, where he could get a clearer view of the handwriting. It looked more familiar than before. Gradually a belief came to him that the letter had been written to him. He remembered the date that he had left home, and that on the letter was the day before his going. As he looked and continued to look the old familiar hand came back to him. There was no mistaking it. The letter had been written—not finished—to him. But it had never been sent.

Why? Ah! There was the mystery. The letter went into Werner's pocket instead of the volume in which it had been inclosed. He knew where the writer lived, though he had not seen her since he parted with her a decade ago. He determined to go to her for an explanation.

They stood face to face. Each recognized the other. He drew the letter from his pocket and handed it to her. She looked at it in wonder, recognizing it, but evidently being dazed at holding it in her hands.

"How did you come by this?" she asked.

He related to her the strange happening by which he and the letter had drifted to the library and met there. Her memory seemed to be confused in part, though as to writing the letter it was clear.

"I wrote this," she said, "the day before you left us. Mother suspected that something was between us and had advised that we remain each free until you were able to marry. Nevertheless I resolved to answer you in the affirmative. While I was writing I heard mother coming. A book—I don't remember what book—lay open on the table near me. I put the unfinished letter in it and closed it."

"Mother asked me what I was going to do about you, and I gave her an evasive answer. She drew a promise from me to take no action without consulting her. I was but seventeen and uncertain what to do; therefore I did nothing. The letter remained in the book."

"You mother, who was present, said, 'I being about made up my mind for you then, it behooves me to see you now, to make sure you are all right.'"

Another Great Cut of Prices on Ladies Dresses and Waists

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\$1.35 Of the \$1.98 lot--all be utiful dresses--those remaining will be sold at the extremely low price of \$1.35

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Read the Mail

How to Make a Second Call After Completing the First

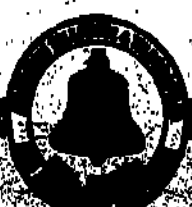
After a telephone connection, when a second number is wanted immediately, subscribers often move the hook rapidly up and down believing that the rapidity and earnestness of this movement will hasten the operator's attention.

The opposite is quite the case.

The signal lamp before the operator does not work properly when the hook is moved rapidly.

Work the hook up and down SLOWLY; then the operator will note your signal and answer immediately.

The Bell System



NO ROUNDABOUT WAY AFTER THIS YEAR TO CAMPMEETING

Next year when people from the Monongahela valley attend the campmeeting at Bentleyville they will not have to go by a roundabout method; or have to take their chances at hiring a buggy or going by hack. The West Side street railways line from Charleroi to Bentleyville is to be completed by that time and in operation. Construction work is now being put in good shape, and everything looks well towards completion of the line by the middle or the latter part of next spring.

Consumptives Helped by Tuberculosis Medicine

It is folly to believe that Consumption differs from every other disease in not requiring the use of any medicine for its treatment. For a number of years an enormous mass of voluntary and thankful testimonials from persons who consider that they owe their lives to Eckman's Alternative, a medicine for Tuberculosis, has been accumulating. Surely plenty of time to demonstrate its lasting value. You can write to any of them. Here is one: "Gentlemen: In the winter of 1906 I had an attack of Grippe, followed by Pneumonia and later by Consumption. I grew steadily worse. In the winter of 1907 I had cough, night sweats, fever and raised quantities of awful-looking stuff and later I had many hemorrhages; at one time three in three successive days. Milk and eggs became so distasteful I could keep nothing down. Three physicians treated me. I was ordered to the mountains, but did not go. Eckman's Alternative was recommended by a friend. After taking a small quantity, I had the first quiet night's sleep for months. Improvement was marked from the first. I gained strength and weight and appetite. I never had another hemorrhage and my cough gradually lessened until it was finally gone. I am perfectly well. Everything I say here can be verified by my family and friends." ANNE F. LOUGHRAN. Eckman's Alternative is effective in Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Throat and Lung Troubles, and in rebuilding the system. Does not contain poisons, opiates or habit-forming drugs. Ask for booklet telling of recoveries and write to Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia, Pa. for more evidence. For sale by all leading druggists. Sold by W. F. Hennings.

LOST IN A FOG

By THOMAS R. DEAN

It was summer, and I was on the seashore. Desirous of getting away from every one, I started out for a walk on the beach. I had gone several miles perhaps (I could have walked on the same stretch of sand for half a day without meeting an obstacle) when I saw a bank of cloud coming in from the ocean. In a few minutes I was enveloped in it. The wind that had brought it in died down to a dead calm, and everything was still.

I thought I had my bearings and, turning, started back toward my hotel. But I was off my course, for I had not gone far before I stepped on the verge of a shallow indentation in the sand filled with water left by the outgoing tide. It was evident that I had been walking into the ocean. I turned and started again, as I supposed, toward the dunes, but I must have swerved, for I walked on and on for some time on sand. Then I stood still.

It was a singular sensation, standing there, all direction obliterated--something like being in perfect darkness or on the ocean out of sight of land. No, it was like neither of these: it was like itself only. But I wondered if being suspended in space would resemble the sensation I experienced. Then suddenly a voice came out of the surrounding vapor. It was a girl's voice, sounding as clear and distinct as if spoken in the stagnant atmosphere following a snowstorm.

"Here I am."

I was so startled at the sudden break of the surrounding oblivion that it did not occur to me to make a sound myself. There was something in the change from isolation to contiguity that seemed like passing from nothingness to life. Then, too, the density of the atmosphere imparted a melodious tone to the voice that harmonized with a chord in my own being. I had plenty of time within a few seconds to feel all these things before I said:

"And here am I."

Sound does not of itself give direction, and I knew not whence the words I had heard came. But in another moment the fog directly before me darkened, then resolved itself into a girl's figure. Seeing me, a stranger to her, she stepped back, then stood still.

"Are you lost?" I asked.

"Indeed I am," was the reply. "A girl friend and I were caught in the fog. She stepped out ahead of me and we became separated. I called her."

"I would be happy to guide you," I said. "But I am unable to guide myself. However, you had better permit me to stand by you till the fog lifts." "I'm afraid my friend may have walked into some quicksand or water or something. She was with me a few minutes ago and has suddenly disappeared."

"Call her," I suggested.

"Helen, Helen," called my companion.

She elicited no response.

"We may as well go on," I said; "doubtless we shall come out somewhere. Don't worry about your friend. There are no quicksands on this beach."

We moved--in what direction we knew not--and chatted as we proceeded. There seemed a great change, a great relief from the preceding isolation to this companionship. I certainly felt it, and the girl kept very close to me, as if fearing she might lose me as she had lost her friend.

"What is that?" she asked suddenly.

"What?"

She pointed, but I saw nothing. She told me that she had seen something dark moving beside us, but as soon as she spoke it quickly faded.

We went on for some time, but all was sand. The beach was broad, very broad, and the ebb tide went out a great distance. I did not wonder that we reached nothing different. Then I saw a dark spot moving near us. My companion saw it, too, and, frightened, clung to me.

I am not superstitious and had it not been for my companion would have sprung toward the spot to discover whether it was human. But I found that clinging of a fair girl so delightful that I preferred to remain as I was. I reassured my companion in a whisper, putting my lips nearer than necessary to her ear and feeling her warm breath. I kept my eyes on the spot while she turned her face toward me that she might not see it. I was puzzled as to what it could be, but I believed it to be some animal, though I could hear no footsteps.

"It must be a ghost!" I said in a husky stage voice, whereupon my companion clung to me the tighter, which was the effect I intended to produce.

Suddenly the fog began to clear, and with that rapidity with which fogs sometimes take themselves away, and revealed the figure of a girl walking rapidly away from us.

"Why, it's Helen!" exclaimed my companion. "I believe she has been near us all the while."

"Helen," she called.

The retreating girl stopped and turned. I could see that the surprise she showed was feigned. She joined us with an amused smile on her face and confessed that she had heard the words "Here I am," but, thinking to bother her friend, had remained silent. When she was about to reply she heard my "And here am I." She had kept silent to get a bit of fun out of it and had succeeded.

We three in time became fast friends.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Rev. Jules Dautheny, pastor of the French Presbyterian church in Tarentum has returned home after visiting Rev. J. E. Charies pastor of the French Presbyterian church of Charleroi.

Prof. and Mrs. Thomas L. Pollock, Mrs. T. R. Eagye, and Mrs. F. C. Stahlman have returned from Chattanooga.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerfoot W. Daly and daughter Mary Violet and Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Thompson have left for a visit at the Great Lakes.

Born--To Mr. and Mrs. Russell M. Sphar, of Coraopolis, formerly of Charleroi, a son.

Miss Helen I. Meeker returns this week after having spent her vacation in Cleveland. She attended millinery openings in Cleveland, New York, Washington and Philadelphia.

Mrs. George Ray of Boston, Mass. and daughter Niloa have left for home after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Fanny Gilder of Prospect avenue.

Miss Anna, and Miss Belle Fackie of Baltimore, Md. and Mrs. H. J. Williams of Pittsburgh who have been visiting at the homes of C. R. and F. H. Wehner returned home Monday evening.

Mrs. Richard Kief and daughter Loreta of Mt. Pleasant are visiting Mrs. Louis Velletay.

Mrs. Smith and Miss Emery of Pittsburgh are visiting Mrs. Robert Murray.

Mrs. Clarence Christner, nephew Lester Hainey of Charleroi, and Mrs. Williams of Unkintown have gone to Cleveland and Detroit to visit.

Mrs. S. L. Woodward is a visitor in Pittsburgh today.

Miss Mary Hayes and Miss Anna Bromwich have returned home after a vacation at Conneaut Lake and Knoxville.

Mrs. Frank McIlvaine has gone to Pittsburgh to visit with her daughter Mrs. S. R. Mountsier.

Miss Eleanor Bake is visiting her cousin, Miss Sarah Mountsier in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. John Porter has left for Butler to attend the funeral of her nephew Carl Porter who was killed by an automobile.

Misses Gertrude and Freda Blank are visiting in Pittsburgh.

A number of the members of the L. C. B. A. left this morning to attend

Classified Ads

WANTED--Girl for general housework, 330 Washington avenue. 27-14

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WANTED--Girl at 712 McKean avenue. 31-14

WANTED--Girl for general housework. Good wages to good girl. Small family, 408 Crest avenue. 31-13p

the annual reunion which is being held at Kenneywood Park.

Miss Ditty of Pittsburgh visited Miss Anne McCann.

Miss Romola Anderson is taking a week's vacation at Bentleyville camp.

Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews, and Mrs. Iva Bly left today for Lonaconing, Md.

Mrs. E. N. Duty left for her home in Bellevue. Rev. Duty is spending his vacation along Chesapeake Bay.

Miss Marie and Eva Sloan of Dormont, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Anna Kibler of Lincoln avenue.

Miss Kathryn Estenfelder has gone to Cleveland, Ohio, where she will attend the state shows.

Mrs. T. S. Oskin of Duquesne, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hornell, of Prospect avenue.

Mrs. Joseph Mills, of Breckenridge, has returned home after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Goehring, of Meadow avenue.

Joseph W. Martin, who is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for county recorder was a business visitor today.

Attending Reunion.

L. H. Goehring and family today went to Beaver county to attend the reunion of the Goehring family at a Goehring farm near Ellwood. Probably from 400 to 500 members of the family will attend. The family is one of the largest in the Pittsburgh section.

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